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**Applicant: Nidal A. Samad**  
**Serial No.: 10/605,342**  
**Filed: 09/23/2003**  
**For: Domestic Wastewater Treatment System**  
**Our Reference No.: 1321.37**

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following:

1. Petition to Make Special for Inventions for Environmental Quality under 37 C.F.R. 1.102(d) having a Certificate of Mailing dated November 19, 2003;
2. Declaration of Facts in Support of the Petition to Make Special (2 pages); and
3. Self-addressed and postage pre-paid post card to serve as a receipt for items 1-2.

Very respectfully,

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(37 C.F.R. 1.8)

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Nidal A. Samad**  
Application No.: **10/605342**  
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Confirmation No.: **2341**  
Group Art Unit: **Unassigned**  
Examiner: **Unassigned**

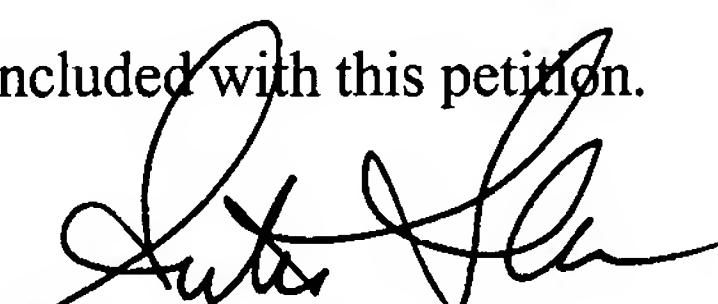
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**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL FOR INVENTIONS  
FOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
(37 C.F.R. 1.102(d) AND M.P.E.P. § 708.02, V)**

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special as being for an invention that materially contributes to enhancing the quality of the environment of mankind by contributing to the restoration or maintenance of the basic life-sustaining natural elements, i.e., air, water, and soil.

1. Accompanying this petition is a statement by applicant's attorney explaining how the invention materially contributes to enhancing the quality of the environment.
2. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.102(c), no fee is included with this petition.

Dated: November 19, 2003



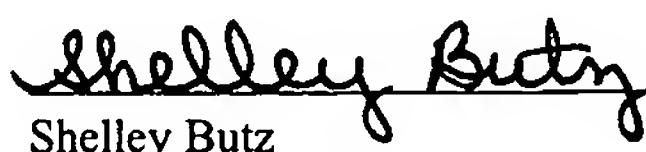
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**PATENT**

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**DECLARATION OF FACTS IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL  
FOR INVENTIONS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (M.P.E.P. § 708.02 V)**

I, Anton Hopen, am the attorney of record for the above-entitled application; and I hereby state the following:

This invention materially enhances the quality of the environment of mankind by contributing to the restoration or maintenance of the basic life-sustaining natural elements, i.e., air, water, and soil.

Applicant's present invention relates to an improved method for the treatment of domestic wastewater. By replacing the use of traditional septic tanks, the present method provides and conserves reusable water for non-potable purposes. Furthermore, any facility that produces domestic wastewater may apply this method. Consequently, the present invention is not limited for use in residential homes. For instance, this invention is equally applicable in boats, recreational vehicles, hotels, resorts, apartment complexes, and the like.

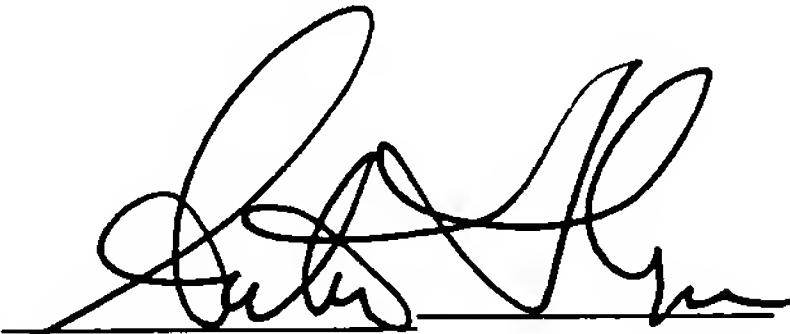
As the above-entitled invention provides a significant contribution to materially enhancing the quality of the environment of mankind within the provisions of Section 702.02 V of the Manual

of Patent Examining Procedure. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the above-entitled patent application be assigned "Special Status" and taken out of turn on an expedited basis.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Very respectfully,

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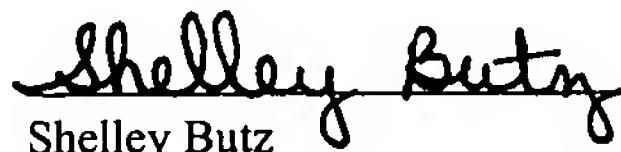
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